

House Resolution No. 1600

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State educators who have devoted a considerable amount of time and energy to ensuring the highest quality learning environment for each generation of future societal leaders; and

Whereas, Linda Blankenship has been a teacher for nineteen years, eighteen of which have been at North Elementary School in the Jackson R-II School District; and

Whereas, Linda Blankenship admirably prepared for her career endeavors by studiously applying herself to courses which resulted in her earning a Bachelor's degree in education from Southeast Missouri State University on December 15, 1981, and a Master's degree from Webster University on August 8, 1998; and

Whereas, on Thursday, April 22, 2004, Linda Blankenship will receive justifiable honors and accolades when she is presented with one of four Educator of the Year Awards from the Jackson Chamber of Commerce at a banquet which will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall; and

Whereas, the competition for Educator of the Year recognition involved a one-page questionnaire and a fifteen-minute interview with the seven-member Chamber Education Committee which was chaired by Linda Puchbauer; and

Whereas, the four Educator of the Year Awards recognize the achievements of educators whose focus in work can be categorized as either kindergarten through grade five, grades six through nine, grades ten through twelve, or such non-traditional assignments as specialty teachers, administrators, librarians, and counselors; and

Whereas, Linda Blankenship of Jackson is devoted to her husband, Bruce, and to her three daughters and two grandchildren:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Linda Blankenship for a Jackson Chamber of Commerce Educator of the Year Award and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Linda Blankenship of the Jackson R-II School District.

Offered by _____
Representative Scott A. Lipke
District No. 157

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1600, adopted April 7, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker